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EXCISE

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Israel and has the honor to present in accordance with accepted principles of international law a claim for $25,000 on behalf of [redacted] the minor children of [redacted] a member of the United States Armed Forces who was killed while serving aboard the U.S.S. Liberty when it was attacked by Israeli air and naval units on June 8, 1967.

It is established from evidence available to the Government of the United States that [redacted] are now and have been citizens of the United States since May 6, 1950 and March 27, 1952 the date of their respective births in Muskingum County, Ohio and at Bethesda, Maryland and that they are the children of [redacted]

The evidence further establishes that the decedent [redacted] was a citizen of the United States since June 30, 1928, the date of his birth at Adamsville, Ohio, was a member of the United States Armed Forces stationed aboard the U.S.S. Liberty on

The amount of the claim is based upon the shock and mental anguish suffered as a result of the death and the loss of financial contributions the decedent would have made towards the support of his children. In determining the latter amount consideration has been given to the actual amount decedent was contributing to the support of each child at the time of his death, the number of years such support would continue until each child reached 18 years of age, and the present worth of the contributions.

The Embassy of the United States confidently anticipates on the basis of the assurances previously given by the Government of Israel that the Government of Israel promptly will compensate the Government of the United States on behalf of the minor children of [redacted] for the amount claimed.

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